(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps Government propose to take to ensure implementation of orders of the Supreme Court in letter and spirit; and

(d) the details of hospitals/clinics in the Capital having such machines illegally?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) to (d) In an Order dated 29th January, 2002, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has directed the State Govemments/U.Ts. to seal and seize the ultrasound machines/scanners used by such organizations as have not got themselves registerd under the Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Regulations and Prevention of Misuse) Act, 1994. The ultrasound machine used by the Dham Diagnostic Centre, Karol Bagh, Delhi was seized on 4th February, 2002.

A copy of the Order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court has been forwarded to all the States/ U.Ts. requesting them to take immediate action to comply with the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The National Inspection and Monitoring Committee constituted by Government to keep watch on the implementation of the Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Regulation and Prevention of Misuse) Act, 1994 and orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court, visited Faridabad on 4.2.2002. The Haryana State Appropriate Authority as well as the District Appropriate Authority of Faridabad were advised by the Committee to seize and seal the ultrasound machines of organizations who are using the same without getting themselves registered. Keeping in view the directions of the Supreme Court, Government is considering amendment of the Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (Regulation and Prevention of Misuse) Act, 1994 and Rules to ensure that machines which are being used by unregistered clinics are sealed and seized, and that machines are not even sold to unregistered clinics.

Unauthorised constructions in Government colonies

*49. MISS FRIDATOPNO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of unauthorised constructions by the allottees in various Government colonies like R.K. Puram, Laxmibai Nagar, Sarojini Nagar, Sector-4 of DIZ area of Delhi;

(b) whether it is a fact that unauthorised encroachments are being done in connivance with the officials of Directorate of Estates and CPWD/ NDMC;

(c) if so, the reasons for not taking any action in this matter so far; and

(d) the measures Government propose to take to prevent such constructions in Government colonies and the action being taken against the allottees and concerned officials?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRIANANTH KUMAR): (a) A total number of 2838 cases of unauthorised construction by the allottees in various Government colonies have been reported by the CPWD during the period August, 1998 to January, 2002.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) As soon as an unauthorised construction is reported by the CPWD, action is initiated by the Directorate of Estates against the allottee concerned. The Rules provide for cancellation of allotment of any allottee who erects any unauthorised structure in any part of his/her allotted residence and also provide for disciplinary action against him/her. Eviction proceedings under Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act are also initiated against such defaulters after issuing them a notice to remove such unauthorised structures within a period of 15 days. The Rules have also been made more stringent by providing that Directorate of Estates is competent to declare any such defaulter to be ineligible for allotment of residential accommodation for the balance period of his/her service and also to report for initiating disciplinary proceedings for major penalty under relevant rules. It is also ensured that vacation slip is issued to allottees only after removal of encroachments by them. Of the 2838 cases reported from August, 1998 to January, 2002 notices have already been issued in 581 cases. In 91 cases, the allottees have removed the encroachments. Moreover, in order to carry out a concerted campaign to remove such encroachments from Government colonies, joint teams are being set up in various localities with representatives from CPWD, Directorate of Estates and the concerned local body, *i.e.* MCD or NDMC.